

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 976

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Eric Mayberry, president of the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly recognize those dedicated leaders who have devoted themselves to excellence and to serving their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Eric Mayberry, who was unanimously elected to serve as president of the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation at the organization's 100th annual meeting in 2021 by grassroots delegates from across the State; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mayberry is the ninth state president in the history of Tennessee Farm Bureau, which currently counts more than 680,000 members; and

WHEREAS, Eric Mayberry has a long, extensive history with the Tennessee Farm Bureau, first becoming involved through the Young Farmers and Ranchers program; in 1988, he began serving on the Humphreys County Farm Bureau Board of Directors, eventually leading the organization as vice president and, ultimately, president; and

WHEREAS, he was first elected to the Tennessee Farm Bureau Board of Directors representing District II in 2005, and in 2015, he was elected as vice president of the state body; and

WHEREAS, as president, Eric Mayberry represents and serves the family members of the bureau; he guides the board of directors and staff and works with county, district, state, and national leadership as well as partners in the agricultural industry, lawmakers, and other decision makers to ensure that agriculture has a strong voice and rural Tennessee remains prosperous and successful; and

WHEREAS, as the third generation on his family's farm near Hurricane Mills, Mr. Mayberry and his wife, Lynn, along with their three children, farm more than 1,000 acres of corn and soybeans and raise a herd of 200 beef cattle; and

WHEREAS, Eric Mayberry has made an indelible impact on the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation at every level of the organization and will continue to add to this legacy of service in new and exciting ways as president; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that we recognize Mr. Mayberry for his dedication and commitment to excellence; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the ninth president of the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation, Eric Mayberry, extending our best wishes for every success as he stands at the helm of this important organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.